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RE: Chesapeake Utilities Corporation – PSC Docket No. 12-450F
Rebuttal Testimony

Dear Ms. Bentley:

Enclosed for filing are an original and ten (10) copies of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation's ("Chesapeake") Rebuttal Testimony in the above referenced Gas Sales Service Rate docket.

Should you have any questions with regard to the submission of this Rebuttal Testimony, please contact me at 302.734.6742.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffrey R. Tietbohl".

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IN THE MATTER OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL)
APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES)
CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A CHANGE)
IN ITS GAS SALES SERVICE RATES ("GSR")) P.S.C. DOCKET NO. 12-450F
TO BE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2012)

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REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF

JEFFREY R. TIETBOHL

On Behalf of Chesapeake Utilities Corporation

Delaware Division

Submitted for filing: May 2, 2013

1 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, OCCUPATION AND BUSINESS
2 ADDRESS.

3 A. My name is Jeffrey R. Tietbohl. I am a Vice President of Chesapeake
4 Utilities Corporation ("Chesapeake" or "the Company"). My business
5 address is 350 South Queen Street, Dover, Delaware 19904.
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7 Q. HAVE YOU PRESENTED PRIOR TESTIMONY IN PSC DOCKET NO. 12-
8 450F?

9 A. Yes. I submitted direct testimony on September 21, 2012 in support of the
10 Company's Gas Sales Service Rate ("GSR") application in the above-
11 captioned docket.
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13 Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE COMPANY'S REBUTTAL
14 TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?

15 A. The purpose of the Company's rebuttal testimony in this docket is to
16 respond to the direct testimony submitted on March 26, 2013, by Public
17 Service Commission Staff ("Staff") Witnesses Jason R. Smith and Jerome
18 D. Mierzwa and the Attorney General ("AG") Witness Andrea C. Crane.
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20 Q. PLEASE STATE HOW YOUR REBUTTAL TESTIMONY WILL BE
21 ORGANIZED?

22 A. My rebuttal testimony will first summarize the recommendations and
23 comments made by the Witnesses. I will then respond to specific

1 comments and recommendations made by each Witness in their
2 respective testimonies.

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4 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY
5 COMMISSION STAFF WITNESS SMITH IN THIS GSR DOCKET.

6 A. On Page 5, Lines 11-15, and Page 11, Lines 21-23 of his testimony,
7 Commission Staff Witness Smith provides the following recommendations:

- 8 1. Staff has reviewed the Company's Application as well as the
9 supporting schedules. Based on that review, as well as the
10 responses and documentation provided during discovery and
11 informal follow-up conferences, Staff recommends that the
12 Commission approve the GSR and firm balancing rates as
13 submitted by the Company. Staff finds that the rates are just and
14 reasonable and are in the public interest.
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16 2. Staff does not support the inclusion of [the recovery of \$50,000 for
17 the cost of the Planalytics EnergyBuyer Software] in the
18 development of the commodity rate for the Company's current firm
19 gas costs and asks that it be disallowed.
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21 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY
22 COMMISSION STAFF WITNESS MIERZWA IN THIS GSR DOCKET.

23 A. On Page 3, Lines 16-29, and Page 4, Lines 1-18, Staff Witness Mierzwa
24 provides the following summary of his recommendations and comments:

- 25 1. Chesapeake's most recent lost and unaccounted-for ("LAUF") gas
26 experience has increased by more than 40 percent over historical
27 levels. The Company has not yet been able to determine the cause
28 of the significant increase in LAUF. I recommend that upon the
29 completion of the Company's investigation, it be required to file a
30 report with the Commission presenting its findings. The
31 Commission should not accept Chesapeake's claim for increased
32 LAUF until the Company's investigation is complete and the
33 reasonableness of the increase can be assessed.

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2. Chesapeake reserves capacity on Eastern Shore Natural Gas ("ESNG") to meet the design peak day demands of its firm sales and firm transportation customers. Firm transportation customers pay for the capacity reserved on their behalf by acquiring this capacity through capacity release. Chesapeake has reserved sufficient ESNG capacity to meet the demands [of] all of its customers for the foreseeable future. Chesapeake should not acquire additional ESNG capacity unless it receives Commission approval to do so; and
 3. Chesapeake reserves capacity on interstate pipelines upstream of ESNG to meet the design peak day demands [of] its firm sales and firm transportation customers. However, this upstream capacity is not released to firm transportation customers and is largely paid for by firm sales customers. This is unreasonable. Therefore, I recommend that Chesapeake be required to reduce its non-storage upstream pipeline capacity on a non-recallable basis and terminating contracts where feasible. The Company should be required to make a filing with the Commission and the parties to this proceeding within 30 days of an order in this proceeding identifying how it intends to reduce its upstream capacity. The Company should obtain Commission approval of its plan prior to its implementation. The resulting cost reductions should be credited 100 percent to firm sales customers.
- 27 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS
28 MADE BY AG WITNESS CRANE IN THIS GSR DOCKET.
- 29 A. On Page 5, Lines 14-19, Page 6, Lines 1-19, and Page 7, Lines 1-7, AG
30 Witness Crane provides the following summary of her recommendations
31 and comments:
- 32 1. The Company's affiliate, Eastern Shore Natural Gas ("ESNG") has a
33 direct financial interest in CUC – Delaware Division acquiring additional
34 ESNG capacity, a situation that may not be in the best interests of
35 ratepayers.
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37 2. The Company's need for future capacity will be impacted by the
38 outcome of the current proceeding before the PSC regarding the

- 1 Company's request to implement new charges to accelerate growth in
2 eastern Sussex County, PSC Docket No. 12-292.
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- 4 3. CUC – Delaware Division should continue to utilize the Long-Term
5 Supply and Demand Strategic Plan ("Supply Plan") to identify the need
6 for all new capacity additions well in advance of executing agreements
7 for new capacity.
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- 9 4. The Company should not enter into any new capacity agreements,
10 either for ESNG capacity or for upstream capacity, without providing
11 prior notification to DPA and Staff. If the additional capacity was not
12 specifically identified in the most recent Supply Plan, then the parties
13 should be notified of the need for the additional capacity prior to any
14 agreements for such capacity being executed.
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- 16 5. The Company has not kept the AG adequately informed about its
17 Asset Management Agreement ("AMA") solicitation activities, thereby
18 violating the spirit of the Settlement Agreement in PSC Docket 11-
19 384F. Accordingly, the Commission should impose a penalty of \$1,000
20 per day on the Company, effective December 27, 2012, until such time
21 as the Company furnishes the parties with the required information and
22 analysis.
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- 24 6. The current AMA, which expires on March 31, 2013, is based on fixed
25 revenue payments to the Company, a portion of which is currently
26 allocated to shareholders. If the Company extends the current AMA or
27 executes a new AMA that is based on fixed revenue payments, then
28 100% of the payments made to the Company should be credited to
29 ratepayers.
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- 31 7. The Company's gas hedging program is working well and should be
32 continued for another year.
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- 34 8. The Company's request to recover \$50,000 associated with a review of
35 the Gas Hedging Program by Planalytics should be denied.
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- 37 9. The GSR factors proposed by CUC – Delaware Division in its
38 Application should be approved, subject to true-up in next year's GSR
39 filing for actual costs and recoveries. Actual costs should exclude the
40 \$50,000 for Planalytics referenced above.
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- 42 Q. DOES THE COMPANY AGREE WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS
43 MADE BY BOTH STAFF WITNESS SMITH AND AG WITNESS CRANE

1 FOR DISALLOWANCE OF THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH
2 PLANALYTICS?

3 A. No it does not. As noted in Ms. Kozel's Direct Testimony at page 13, and
4 as more fully explained in the Company's Natural Gas Supply
5 Procurement Plan Annual Report submitted on January 9, 2013, which is
6 attached to Staff Witness Smith's Direct Testimony (confidential version)
7 in this case, the Company engaged Planalytics as part of its commitment
8 in the 2012 Settlement Agreement in Docket No. 11-384F to study the
9 dollar cost averaging framework as an alternative to the current
10 purchasing program. As noted in the Procurement Plan, the Planalytics
11 EnergyBuyer software uses a financial and volumetric approach to dollar
12 cost averaging and is utilized by a large number of reputable gas
13 companies. The Company is currently testing the Planalytics software for
14 the current GSR period in parallel with the Company's current hedging
15 plan. Based on the results of this study, a decision can be made as to
16 whether to utilize the Planalytics product. Analyzing the product is a
17 reasonable course of action in light of our commitment to study
18 alternatives to the current plan and, therefore, the reasonable cost of
19 using the program for evaluation purposes should be recovered
20 regardless of whether or not the Company ultimately implements the
21 product to determine the timing and quantities of actual purchases.

1 Q. WOULD THE COMPANY LIKE TO ADDRESS STAFF WITNESS
2 MIERZWA'S FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING LOST
3 AND UNACCOUNTED FOR ("LAUF") GAS?

4 A. Yes it would. First, the Company would like to clarify some of the
5 Company's data used by Staff Witness Mierzwa in his direct testimony
6 regarding the calculations of LAUF gas. On Page 5, Line 7, of his direct
7 testimony, Staff Witness Mierzwa cites a five-year average of 3.86%. The
8 3.86% five-year average is the combination of unaccounted-for gas
9 ("UFG"), pressure compensation, and company use gas as a percentage
10 of total sales. This five-year average, including all three components, is
11 only used to calculate the retainage charge to transportation customers
12 and is not the figure used to calculate the level of recovery sought based
13 on UFG on Schedule C.1 included in the attachments to the Company's
14 original Application. The Company, on Sheet 42.3 of its Delaware Division
15 tariff, defines UFG as "...the difference between total gas sales, billed and
16 unbilled, and total gas send-out, *exclusive of company use gas and*
17 *pressure compensated gas volumes.*" Therefore, the actual five-year
18 average of UFG is 2.39% based on total sales and 2.30% based on total
19 receipts or send-out. Please see Attachment JRT-1 which shows the
20 calculation of these percentages.

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22 Q. PLEASE CONTINUE.

1 A. Staff Witness Mierzwa goes on to state, on Page 5, Lines 15-16 of his
2 direct testimony, that the Company's "...most recent LAUF experience for
3 the TME July 31, 2012, was 5.50 percent..." Again, the Company would
4 like to point out that the 5.50% also includes pressure compensation and
5 company use gas. The Company's actual percentage of UFG, as stated
6 on Page 21, Line 21 of my original direct testimony (and also shown on
7 attachment JRT-1 to this rebuttal testimony) is 4.07% for the TME July 31,
8 2012. Although it is still above the target percentage of 3.2%, 4.07% is
9 only slightly above the upper end of the dead-band range, or 3.7%.

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11 Q. DOES THE COMPANY AGREE WITH STAFF WITNESS MIERZWA'S
12 RECOMMENDATION THAT THE COMMISSION SHOULD NOT ACCEPT
13 THE COMPANY'S CLAIM FOR INCREASED LAUF UNTIL ITS
14 INVESTIGATION IS COMPLETE?

15 A. No, it does not. The Company, when preparing its GSR Application,
16 recognized the increase in the level of UFG and began to investigate the
17 source of the increase. Though no specific cause has been identified to
18 date, the investigation has included replacement of certain connections
19 and meters. The Company can report that for the twelve months ending
20 March 31, 2013, the unaccounted for gas, as a percentage of receipts,
21 has decreased to 3.22%, as shown on Attachment JRT-2. This number is
22 very close to our target of 3.2% and well below the upper band of 3.7%.

1 In addition, when the Commission first approved the UFG targets, it
2 accepted Staff's recommendation that a UFG percentage above the upper
3 limit of the "dead band," or 3.7%, not result in penalties incurred through
4 the GSR. (See Order No. 3648, dated July 20, 1993, as provided as an
5 attachment to the Company's response to PSC-38.) Instead, Staff would
6 consider the Company's UFG performance relating to the "dead band" at
7 the Company's next rate case. Therefore, Staff Witness Mierzwa's
8 recommendation that the UFG targets be used to penalize the Company
9 through the GSR is contrary to Commission policy. In addition, for at least
10 four years prior to this application, the Company's UFG has been below
11 the lower end of the "dead band," which is 2.7%, yet the Company has not
12 requested or received any award for "beating" the target range. Please
13 see Attachment JRT-1.

14 I would also note that for the UFG projection for the current GSR period,
15 the Company used a five-year average of 3.28% (which includes UFG,
16 pressure compensation, and company use gas; volumes projected for
17 pressure compensation and company use gas are then deducted from this
18 to calculate projected UFG volumes for the upcoming GSR period). The
19 3.28% was the prior GSR Application's five-year average as a percentage
20 of total send-out, without the impact from the higher 2011-12 UFG
21 percentage. (The support for this was provided as attachments to the
22 discovery response to PSC-1.) Therefore, if the Company's UFG
23 percentage remains within the target range, as seen in the most recent

1 numbers, then the 5-year average used for next year's GSR, like the
2 average used in the current GSR, will see very little impact from the
3 temporary increase in UFG that we have seen.

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5 Q. ARE THERE ANY ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY
6 STAFF WITNESS MIERZWA THAT THE COMPANY WOULD LIKE TO
7 DISCUSS OR CLARIFY?

8 A. Yes. Staff Witness Mierzwa makes two recommendations regarding the
9 Company's capacity, both ESNG and upstream of ESNG. First, on Page
10 9, Lines 15-16, Staff Witness Mierzwa recommends that "...Chesapeake
11 not acquire any additional ESNG capacity unless authorized to do so by
12 the Commission." Second, on Page 10, Lines 21-24, Staff Witness
13 Mierzwa recommends that "...Chesapeake be required to reduce its non-
14 storage upstream pipeline capacity by 17,602 Dth. This would include
15 releasing upstream capacity on a non-recallable basis and terminating
16 contracts where feasible."

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18 Q. DOES THE COMPANY AGREE WITH STAFF WITNESS MIERZWA'S
19 RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE ACQUISITION OF
20 ADDITIONAL ESNG CAPACITY? PLEASE EXPLAIN.

21 A. No, it does not. The Company already has provisions in place by which it
22 notifies the Settling Parties of future plans to acquire capacity (both ESNG
23 and upstream of ESNG) that are adequate and have been working well.

1 The Company agreed, in the approved Settlement Agreement to PSC
2 Docket No. 11-384F, that it would continue to utilize its annual Long-Term
3 Supply and Demand Strategic Plan ("Supply Plan") as a mechanism by
4 which to notify the Settling Parties of the need for all new capacity
5 additions. Furthermore, the Company agreed that when it needs to
6 acquire capacity that was not previously identified in its most recent
7 Supply Plan, the Company would continue to provide prior notification and
8 analysis to the parties for both ESNG and upstream capacity additions
9 and allow for a 15-day comment period. The Company would note that
10 AG Witness Crane, on Page 32 of her direct testimony, recommended that
11 the Company continue to follow the approved procedure for notification of
12 capacity acquisitions as described above. The Company does not agree
13 that it is appropriate to seek Commission approval for the acquisition of
14 new capacity, though the Company does recognize that the Commission
15 has final authority regarding cost recovery for any capacity additions it
16 may undertake.

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18 Q. DOES THE COMPANY AGREE WITH STAFF WITNESS MIERZWA'S
19 RECOMMENDATION TO ELIMINATE 17,602 DTH OF ITS UPSTREAM
20 CAPACITY?

21 A. No, it does not. First of all, the Company does recognize certain items
22 regarding the level of its upstream capacity as described by Staff Witness
23 Mierzwa on Page 10 of his direct testimony. However, the Company

1 notes the recent changes occurred after the TEAM 2012 capacity became
2 available in November 2012, which is within the current GSR period. The
3 Company does not agree that the recommendation made by Staff Witness
4 Mierzwa is the appropriate solution. The Company believes it is not
5 practical to release this upstream capacity on a permanent basis. The
6 Company's service territory on the Delmarva Peninsula is isolated from
7 the major interstate pipelines limiting the Company's opportunities to
8 acquire additional capacity that will ultimately benefit its firm customers.
9 Moreover, new pipeline capacity projects are taking an increasing amount
10 of time to gain approval and the actual date of the implementation of
11 service can be several years after a project is first proposed due to an
12 evolving regulatory landscape. Many proposed projects are never
13 constructed. The Company believes that retaining the contractual rights to
14 the subject capacity is a prudent component of its Long-Term Supply and
15 Demand Strategic Plan. Furthermore, the Company must be prepared for
16 the possibility that a number of its firm transportation customers could
17 switch to firm sales service. If this were to happen, the Company would
18 be in the position of not having adequate capacity to meet the firm daily
19 requirements of its firm sales service customers on a design day if the
20 Company released the capacity as recommended by Staff Witness
21 Mierzwa.

1 Q. DOES THE COMPANY HAVE A POTENTIAL ALTERNATIVE
2 APPROACH FOR ADDRESSING THE STATED CONCERNS?

3 A. The Company, in discovery responses, noted that it intends to propose
4 changes to its current transportation program mechanics for commercial
5 and industrial customers to address the situation. The Company will make
6 a regulatory filing with the Commission under a separate docket to
7 address the situation and propose an alternative approach whereby
8 transportation customers contribute a more appropriate portion of the cost
9 of upstream pipeline capacity.

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11 Q. WOULD THE COMPANY LIKE TO ADDRESS THE
12 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY AG WITNESS CRANE REGARDING
13 THE COMPANY'S ASSET MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT?

14 A. Yes, it would. First, on Page 6, Lines 9-11 of her direct testimony, AG
15 Witness Crane argues that "the Company has not kept the AG adequately
16 informed about its Asset Management Agreement ("AMA") solicitation
17 activities, thereby violating the *spirit* of the Settlement Agreement in PSC
18 Docket No. 11-384F." (emphasis added) AG Witness Crane goes on to
19 suggest that "...the Commission should impose a penalty of \$1,000 per
20 day on the Company, effective December 27, 2012, until such time as the
21 Company furnishes the parties with the required information and analysis."
22 The Company does not agree with the statement that it violated the spirit
23 of the Settlement Agreement in PSC Docket No. 11-384F.

1 It is important to note that AG Witness Crane does not assert that the
2 Company violated the plain language of the Settlement Agreement. And in
3 fact, the Company did not. The agreement required the Company to:

4 "provide (on a confidential basis) Staff and
5 DPA with (a) a copy of the RFP; (b) the
6 number of entities receiving the Company's
7 RFP; (c) the number of responses, (d)
8 evaluation criteria relied upon by the Company;
9 (e) analysis of bids; and (f) other documents as
10 may be reasonably requested by Staff and
11 DPA."
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13 As of our April 22, 2013 meeting with the parties, the Company has met all
14 of these requirements. Second, other than the Public Advocate, the only
15 other signatories to the Settlement Agreement in PSC Docket No. 11-
16 384F were the Company and Staff. Based on filed testimony, neither the
17 Company nor Staff believes that the Company violated either the letter or
18 the spirit of the agreement. Two of the three parties to the agreement,
19 who were both intimately involved in the negotiations leading up to the
20 agreement, do not consider the "spirit" of the agreement to call for
21 anything other than what the Company actually did. It is neither
22 reasonable nor fair to impose a penalty based on Ms. Crane's belief that
23 Chesapeake, while complying with the terms of an agreement, did not
24 comply with what Ms. Crane speculates was the "spirit" of the agreement.
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26 Q. ON PAGES 16 AND 17 OF HER DIRECT TESTIMONY, AG WITNESS
27 CRANE CITES THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FROM PSC DOCKET

1 NO. 10-296F, WHICH REQUIRES THE COMPANY TO PROVIDE
2 SOLICITATION INFORMATION "ON A ROLLING BASIS...AND PRIOR
3 TO THE SELECTION BY THE COMPANY OF AN ASSET MANAGER."
4 WAS THIS REQUIREMENT INCLUDED IN THE CURRENT
5 AGREEMENT, FROM DOCKET NO. 11-384F?

6 A. No. The 2012 agreement from Docket No. 11-384F, which is at issue
7 here, did not incorporate by its terms the 2011 agreement and did not use
8 the same language requiring a "rolling" submission of documents. There
9 is no reason, therefore, to believe that the "spirit" of the 2012 agreement
10 was to submit documents on a rolling basis. In fact, the existence of the
11 language in the 2011 agreement requiring a "rolling" submission
12 demonstrates that, if the parties had wanted a rolling submission with this
13 agreement, they certainly knew how to include it in the agreement - but
14 chose not to.

15 In addition, without addressing whether this is an appropriate docket for
16 the Commission to levy penalties, the Company believes that no penalties
17 are warranted because the 2012 Settlement Agreement was adhered to
18 by the Company

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20 Q. DOES AG WITNESS CRANE MAKE ANY OTHER
21 RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE COMPANY'S ASSET
22 MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT ACTIVITIES?

1 A. Yes. On Page 21 of her direct testimony, AG Witness Crane recommends
2 that if "...the [new] AMA provides for a fixed payment from the Asset
3 Manager, then 100% of the resulting payment should be credited to
4 ratepayers." Her reasoning for this is that "...if an AMA contains a fixed
5 fee payment, then the utility's actions will have no impact on the revenues
6 received for release of capacity. In that case, there should be no sharing
7 [to the shareholders] since the actions of the utility are not going to affect
8 the credit applied to the GSR."
9 The Company submits that AG Witness Crane's statements are not
10 accurate, and therefore does not agree with her recommendation that the
11 sharing mechanism for the Asset Management fee between ratepayers
12 and shareholders should be modified. As stated in its presentation given
13 to the parties regarding its Asset Management solicitation activities, the
14 Company's new AMA (effective April 1, 2013) does contain a fixed
15 payment arrangement similar to the previous AMA. However, the
16 Company's actions in both structuring the AMA and negotiating the AMA
17 had a positive impact on the amount of the fixed monthly fee that is
18 agreed upon between the Company and its Asset Manager. The sharing
19 approach was designed to provide the Company with an extra incentive to
20 maximize the benefits under any future AMA. Such sharing arrangements
21 are common in public utility regulation. Because the Company's actions
22 do affect the amount recovered, the current sharing mechanism is
23 appropriate.

1 It is important to note that the fact that the AMA payments are fixed rather
2 than variable have nothing to do with whether the Company's actions
3 during the term of the AMA impact the level of payments received under
4 the AMA. After the AMA is in place, the Company cannot impact the level
5 of variable payments made any more than it can the fixed payments.
6 Under a variable payment or margin sharing arrangement, the level of
7 revenues is solely dependent upon how effective the Asset Manager is at
8 utilizing the Company's portfolio of assets; in fact, there is no guarantee
9 that a fee would be received every month.

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11 Q. DOES AG WITNESS CRANE MAKE ANY STATEMENTS REGARDING
12 THE COMPANY'S AMA THAT THE COMPANY WOULD LIKE TO
13 CLARIFY?

14 A. Yes. On Pages 22 and 23 of her direct testimony, AG Witness Crane
15 states that, at the time of her testimony, she was unsure if the Company's
16 new AMA would include language that prohibited the Asset Manager from
17 re-releasing the Company's capacity, which it agreed to include in the
18 Settlement Agreement to PSC Docket No. 11-384F. The Company would
19 like to point out that, although it was not in the original RFP, the final AMA
20 did include language that prohibits the Asset Manager from re-releasing
21 the Company's capacity. The parties were provided with a copy of the
22 AMA on or about April 22, 2013.

1 Q. ARE THERE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS MADE BY AG WITNESS
2 CRANE IN HER TESTIMONY THAT THE COMPANY WOULD LIKE TO
3 ADDRESS?

4 A. Yes. On Page 15 of her direct testimony, AG Witness Crane states that
5 the Company did not "...provide a recommendation regarding whether or
6 not to adopt dollar cost averaging." The Company provided in its Natural
7 Gas Procurement Plan, filed on January 9, 2013, the results of its analysis
8 of dollar cost averaging versus its currently approved hedging plan. The
9 results of the analysis showed that the difference between the two
10 methodologies was insignificant, which would not support a change at this
11 time. Therefore, to clarify the Company's position, we agree with the AG
12 and Staff that no change is warranted at this time and we recommend that
13 the Company continue to hedge under its currently approved guidelines
14 pending the finalization of our analysis of the Planalytics product.
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16 Q. DOES THE COMPANY AGREE WITH ANY OF THE
17 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY STAFF WITNESS SMITH?

18 A. Yes. The Company agrees with Staff Witness Smith's recommendation,
19 as noted on Page 5, Lines 13-15 of his direct testimony, that "...Staff
20 recommends that the Commission approve the GSR and firm balancing
21 rates as submitted by the Company. Staff finds that the rates are just and
22 reasonable and are in the public interest."

1 Q. DOES THE COMPANY AGREE WITH ANY OF THE
2 RECOMMENDATIONS OR COMMENTS MADE BY AG WITNESS
3 CRANE?

4 A. Yes. On Pages 5 through 7 of her direct testimony, AG Witness Crane
5 makes the following recommendations and/or comments with which the
6 Company agrees.

7 1. The Company's need for future capacity will be impacted by the
8 outcome of the current proceeding before the PSC regarding the
9 Company' request to implement new charges to accelerate growth
10 in eastern Sussex County, PSC Docket No. 12-292.
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12 2. CUC – Delaware Division should continue to utilize the Long-Term
13 Supply and Demand Strategic Plan ("Supply Plan") to identify the
14 need for all new capacity additional well in advance of executing
15 agreements for new capacity.
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17 3. The Company's gas hedging program is working well and should
18 be continued for another year.
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20 AG Witness Crane also makes the following recommendation to which the
21 Company agrees only in part:

22 4. The GSR factors proposed by CUC – Delaware Division in its
23 Application should be approved, subject to a true-up in next year's
24 GSR filing for actual costs and recoveries. Actual costs should
25 exclude the \$50,000 for Planalytics referenced above.
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27 The Company agrees with the statement that the GSR factors proposed in
28 this filing should be approved. However, the Company would like to note
29 that it does not agree that it should be denied recovery of the \$50,000
30 Planalytics cost included in this GSR filing (for reasons mentioned earlier
31 in my rebuttal testimony), and therefore no adjustment should be
32 necessary in next year's GSR filing.

1 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR REBUTTAL TESTIMONY?

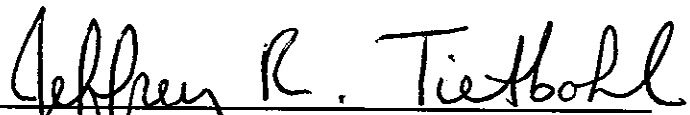
2 A. Yes, it does.

DATED: May 2, 2013

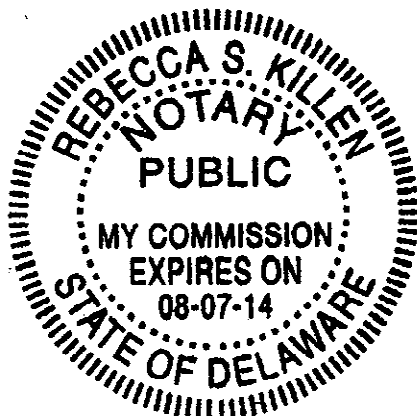
STATE OF DELAWARE)
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COUNTY OF KENT)

AFFIDAVIT OF JEFFREY R. TIETBOHL

JEFFREY R. TIETBOHL, being first duly sworn according to law, on oath deposes and says that he is the witness whose testimony appears as "Chesapeake Utilities Corporation, Delaware Division, Rebuttal Testimony of Jeffrey R. Tietbohl;" that, if asked the questions which appear in the text of the rebuttal testimony, he would give the answers that are therein set forth; and that he adopts this testimony as his sworn rebuttal testimony in these proceedings.


Jeffrey R. Tietbohl

Then personally appeared this 2nd day of May, 2013 the above-named Jeffrey R. Tietbohl and acknowledged the foregoing Testimony to be his free act and deed. Before me,




Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 8-7-2014

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation
Delaware Division
Unaccounted For and Company Use

Twelve Months Ended	Total Receipts (Mcf)	Total Sales (Mcf)	UFG, Pressure Compensation, and Company Use (Mcf)	Company Use (Mcf)	Pressure Compensation (Mcf)	Unaccounted For Gas (Mcf)	Unaccounted For Gas as % of Sales	Unaccounted For Gas as % of Receipts	UFG, Pressure Compensation, and Company Use as % of Sales	UFG, Pressure Compensation, and Company Use as % of Receipts
31-Jul-12	6,363,499	6,013,586	349,913	1,134	89,814	258,965	4.31%	4.07%	5.82%	5.50%
31-Jul-11	6,762,462	6,544,647	217,815	1,427	97,747	118,641	1.81%	1.75%	3.33%	3.22%
31-Jul-10	5,770,935	5,606,948	189,723	1,421	83,741	78,825	1.41%	1.37%	3.38%	3.29%
31-Jul-09	5,483,767	5,294,044	182,554	2,096	79,071	108,556	2.05%	1.98%	3.45%	3.33%
31-Jul-08	4,950,323	4,767,770	148,518	1,593	71,211	109,750	2.30%	2.22%	3.12%	3.00%
	29,330,986	28,226,995	1,088,523	7,671	421,584	674,737	2.39%	2.30%	3.86%	3.71%

PSC Docket No. 12-450F
Attachment JRT-2 to the Rebuttal Testimony of Jeffrey R. Tietbohl

Chesapeake Utilities Corporation
Delaware Division
Unaccounted For, Company Use & Pressure Compensation Gas Volumes
Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2013

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5) *	(6)
Month	Total Receipts (Mcf)	Total Sales and Transportation (Mcf)	Unaccounted For, Pressure Compensation and Company Use (Mcf)	Company Use (Mcf)	Pressure Compensation (Mcf)	Unaccounted For Gas (Mcf)
April-12	497,327	493,399	3,928	64	7,369	(3,505)
May-12	373,234	397,123	(23,889)	34	5,931	(29,854)
June-12	312,351	330,337	(17,986)	10	4,934	(22,930)
July-12	291,806	284,839	6,967	15	4,254	2,698
August-12	331,523	327,291	4,232	24	4,888	(680)
September-12	361,368	339,007	22,361	43	5,063	17,255
October-12	433,822	391,524	42,298	44	5,848	36,406
November-12	833,877	665,443	168,434	120	9,939	158,375
December-12	863,747	807,940	55,807	133	12,067	43,607
January-13	1,100,332	1,014,064	86,268	293	15,146	70,829
February-13	1,041,581	1,065,166	(23,585)	322	15,909	(39,816)
March-13	987,847	966,315	21,532	332	14,432	6,768
Total	7,428,815	7,082,448	346,367	1,434	105,780	239,153

Unaccounted For and Company Use as % of Sales (Column 3 / Column 2)	4.89%
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Unaccounted For as % of Receipts (Column 6 / Column 1)	3.22%
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* Represents calculation to pressurize gas delivered from the ESNG transmission pipeline to a standard pressure.